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CAPILLARY ARRAY-BASED SAMPLE SCREENING

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed July 16, 2002, Applicant elects, with traverse, Group I, consisting of Claims 1-10, drawn to an apparatus comprising a plurality of capillaries, classified in class 422, subclass 68.1.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on August 15, 2002, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231

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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: August 15, 2002

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